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Chapter 11. Research and Development Program

IC 20-20-11-1

"Program"

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "program" refers to the research and development program established by section 2 of this chapter. *As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.4.*

IC 20-20-11-2

Purpose; implementation; surplus funds

- Sec. 2. (a) The research and development program is established to fund certain programs, projects, studies, or other education initiatives undertaken or authorized to be undertaken by the department.
 - (b) The department shall implement the program.
- (c) Unexpended money appropriated to the department for use in implementing the program under this chapter at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund but remains available to the department for its continued use under this chapter. As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.4.

IC 20-20-11-3

Initiatives; evaluation; funding

- Sec. 3. (a) The types of initiatives for which money appropriated to the program may be used include the following:
 - (1) Conducting feasibility studies concerning the following:
 - (A) Mandating full-day or half-day kindergarten programs.
 - (B) Choice of enrollment programs.
 - (C) Establishing magnet schools.
 - (2) An evaluation of P.L.390-1987(ss).
 - (3) Exploring different or expanded testing methods.
 - (4) An evaluation of the primetime program under IC 21-1-30.
 - (5) Administering pilot programs concerning school academic readiness factors of students in kindergarten and grades 1 and 2.
 - (6) Studying the implications of offering preschool programs for special education students.
 - (7) Conducting the student services programs under IC 20-20-27.
 - (8) The Indiana writing project.
- (b) The evaluation of P.L.390-1987(ss) and the primetime program described in subsection (a)(2) and (a)(4) shall be conducted by an entity other than the department under a contract entered into by the department.
- (c) The student services programs under subsection (a)(7) shall be funded under the program based upon criteria approved by the department. The programs must include a study of:
 - (1) the role of the public school guidance counselor; and
 - (2) the guidance counselor proficiency statements developed

under P.L.342-1989(ss), SECTION 39, as approved by the department.

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